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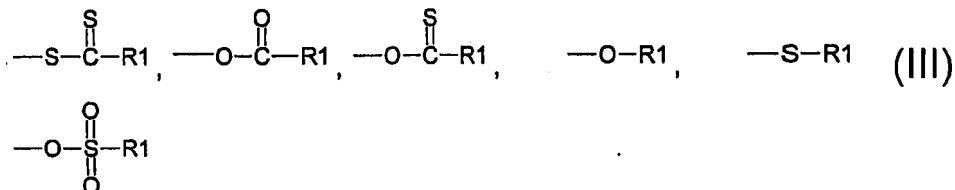
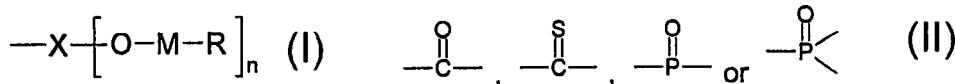
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(57) Abstract: Antifouling coating composition comprising 20-100% by weight, calculated on the total amount of film-forming components, of a film-forming polymer (A) having an acrylic backbone bearing at least-one terminal group of the formula (I), wherein X represents (II), M is a metal of Group Ib, IIA, IIB, IIIA, IIIB, IVA, IVB, VA, VIA, VIIA, and VIII of the Periodic Table with a valency of 2 or more and a degree of ionization less than that of the alkali metals metal; n is an integer of 1 to 2; R represents an organic residue selected from (III), and R1 is a monovalent organic residue, and 80-0% by weight, calculated of polymer (B) a copper-based biocide for aquatic organisms characterized in that that the antifouling coating composition is substantially free of any biocidal zinc compounds and substantially free of rosin, and in that the copper-based biocide has a metallic copper content below 2% by weight, based on the total weight of the copper-based biocide.